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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****OFFICIAL**

Application no. : 09/154,966  
Applicant : Christopher Haywood  
Title : Dedicated bandwidth data communication switch backplane  
Filed : September 17, 1998  
Art Unit : 2665  
Examiner : Steven H. D. Nguyen

Docket no. : 111480CIP  
Customer no. : 35114  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Date: June 8, 2004

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Sir:

In response to one or more issues raised in the office action mailed April 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks / Argument** begin on page 7 of this paper.